



**San Diego County
Fish & Wildlife Advisory Commission**

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**DRAFT MINUTES
February 9, 2006**

Meeting Location: California Department of Fish and Game
4949 Viewridge Avenue
San Diego, CA 92123

COMMISSIONERS	DISTRICT
Jack Bransford, Chair	1
Paul Kelpin	1
Florence Sloane	2
Ben Tulloch, Secretary	2
Rob Wilder	3
Teresa Barth	3
D'erdra Smothers, Ph.D, Vice-Chair	4
Jim Dodd ABSENT	4
Mike Pottorff	5
Jim Conrad	5

A. Meeting called to order at 6:30PM.

B. Introductions:

Janaye Byergo, Representing: Bureau of Land Management

C. Minutes for January 12 were amended

Changes: F. 5 – Old Business Presentations by Government Agencies (Bransford)
Delete last two sentences of paragraph replace with:

Additionally, a member of the Board of Supervisors had told the Commission they could have a meeting each month if that's what they wanted.

Motion made to: Approve as amended. Motion made by: Sloan Seconded by: Tulloch Vote: unanimous

D. Public Comment

E. Chairman's Report –

Chairman Smothers reported that she had received an update on the Chula Vista Nature Center and the renovation project on schedule. Commission Smother's goal for this year was to broaden the FWAC base with more public interaction and promotion. She asked each commissioner to establish a time frame for completion of old business items.

F. Administrative Items: Old Business

1. Commission Video Project - (Pottorff/Conrad)

Commissioner Pottorff has order 100 sets (2 disk set) of the DVD. Will be on website soon. Will submit an invoice

Retain this item for next agenda Yes ☐ No ☒ XX

2. San Diego Freshwater Fish Project (Pottorff)

Commissioner Pottorff and other project members are scheduled to meet with Senator Bill Morrow to request assistance with moving the project forward.

3. Monthly Meeting with California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) (Sloane)

Commissioner Sloane's report on the FWAC/DFG/SDCWF Monthly Meeting 1/19/06

Present: Larry Eng, Terri Stewart, Jack Bransford, Jim Conrad and Florence Sloane

Mr. Eng stated he would give current 2006 Fish & Game Code books to the County Fish & Wildlife Commissioners when they become available.

Mr. Bransford presented the need for DFG involvement in the McCain Valley Wind Energy Study.

Ms. Stewart commented that proposed SDG&E power lines may be routed through the San Felipe Valley.

Mr. Eng will schedule a meeting with Department personnel and volunteers to plan next seasons Family Pheasant Hunts.

Mr. Bransford asked when Mr. Eng would be able to address the FWAC and SDCWF (San Diego County Wildlife Federation) on DFG lands.

Ms. Stewart stated that the next Wildlife Conservation Board meeting is February 23rd.

Ms. Stewart is putting together safety and notification protocols for volunteers working on DFG lands

Ms. Stewart indicated that the Department is working to support the published work day at Hollenbeck Canyon.

4. Handling of fines/forfeiture monies for Fish and Game (Sloane)

Commissioner Pottorff has been in contact with District Attorney's office and expects to have additional information soon.

5. Presentations by Government Agencies (Bransford)

Commissioner Bransford has scheduled a presentation with US Fish and Wildlife for April 13. He is also trying to arrange a presentation by representatives from Cleveland National Forest for March 9 or April 13.

Motion made to: Schedule a meeting on April 13 at 6:30 pm to accommodate USFW presentation. Motion made by: Sloane, Seconded by: Tulloch Vote: Unanimous

6. Business Cards (Smothers)

Business cards distributed to commissioners

7. Reintroduction of Antelope to San Diego County of San Diego (Conrad/Pottorff)

No report.

8. Biannual Report to the Board of Supervisors

Commissioners reviewed report .

Motion made by: Conrad, Seconded by: Sloan to approve report with amended minutes as noted previously. Vote: unanimous

New Business

1. Bureau of Land Management Presentation (Bransford)

Janaye Byergo, San Diego Project Manager, Palm Springs/South Coast Field Office gave an overview of BLM history and area specific projects. Guidelines for San Diego management area place an emphasis on protection and enhancement of sensitive species habitat & open space values; enhancing habitat for all wildlife species; providing opportunities for low impact recreation. Working in cooperation with NCCP and MSCP projects but BLM retains management of BLM lands. Active field office with numerous government and non-government partnerships.

2. Day at the Docks (Smothers)

Chairman Sloan asked if any commissioners were available to staff a FWAC booth on April 23rd, 9am- 5pm. None were available. Sloan encouraged all commissioners to attend for a few hours to promote FWAC activities and opportunities.

3. Additional FWAC Meetings (Smothers)

Commissioners discussed options for changing the meeting schedule to accommodate presentations by other agencies. No decision can be made until Commission receives clarification from the Board of Supervisors.

Staff action item: Commissioners request that staff follow up with Commissioner's previous request to seek authorization from the Board of Supervisors to hold additional meetings per motion made in item 5 Old Business Jan 12, 2006 meeting.

G. Commissioner's Corner

Florence Sloane: No Report

D'erdra Smothers: No Report

Jack Bransford: Request agenda item for next meeting – to discuss upcoming meeting of County F&G Commissioners in Los Angeles

Paul Kelpin: **Action item for staff:** confirm FWAC meeting schedule with Fish & Game office staff

Ben Tulloch: Looking for possible replacement. His term has expired and he is not seeking reappointment.

Rob Wilder: No report

Teresa Barth: No report

Mike Pottorff: has plaques for previous commissioners. He will present plaques at other meetings when appropriate. Will keep commission updated on presentations.

Jim Conrad: Reported that the Michael Flores has been named the new State Fish & Game Chairman and Bob Hatloy is the Vice-Chairman.

Jim Dodd: Absent

H. Adjournment Time: 8:45 pm

Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

1. Date of and authorization to attend County F& G Commissioners meeting in LA.